

# COLUMBIANA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

Board Members: David W. Johnson, Chair Patricia Colian, Vice Chair Larry Bowersock Victor W. Maroscher

Kim Fusco, Director Bryce A. Miner, Deputy Director

Board Meeting Minutes - March 3, 2023, 1:30 p.m.

### I. REORGANIZATION:

- 1. Select Temporary Chairperson
- 2. Appoint Director
- 3. Appoint Deputy Director
- 4. Appoint a Chairperson
- 5. Appoint a Vice Chairperson
- 6. Administer Oath of Office

### II. ROUTINE ITEMS:

- 7. Approve Agenda
- 8. Acceptance of Minutes

#### III. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- 1. Filed Liquor Option Clarification
- 2. May 2, 2023 Special Election Open Precincts
- 3. Independent Candidate Deadline for General Election May 1, 2023
- 4. Directive 2023-03 Identification Requirements and Absentee Voting Changes

The Columbiana County Board of Elections met in regular session at the Board office located at 7989 Dickey Dr., Suite 3, Lisbon, Ohio on March 3, 2023 at 1:30 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Johnson at 1:30 p.m.

Members present as shown by roll call:

Mr. BowersockYesMs. ColianYesMr. JohnsonYesMr. MaroscherYes

Pledge of Allegiance

Moment of Reflection

# 1. Select a Temporary Chairperson

Moved by <u>Ms. Colian</u> and seconded by <u>Mr. Bowersock</u> to select Mr. Johnson as the temporary chair for the reorganization meeting.

Roll Call:

Mr. Bowersock, <u>yes;</u> Mr. Johnson, <u>yes;</u> Ms. Colian, <u>yes;</u> Mr. Maroscher, <u>yes;</u>

Motion carried.

NOTES: Approval and vote by unanimous consent.

# 2. Appoint a Director

Moved by Mr. Bowersock and seconded by Ms. Colian to appoint Kim Fusco as Director of the Columbiana County Board of Elections.

Roll Call:

Mr. Bowersock, <u>yes;</u> Mr. Johnson, <u>yes;</u> Ms. Colian, <u>yes;</u> Mr. Maroscher, <u>yes;</u>

Motion carried.

NOTES: Mr. Johnson and the members present noted that they did not take a roll call vote on Item

1 and proceeded to make a roll call vote noting the procedural correction with the Temporary

Chairman remaining Mr. Johnson.

# 3. Appoint a Deputy Director

Moved by Mr. Maroscher and seconded by Mr. Bowersock to appoint Bryce Miner as Deputy Director of the Columbiana County Board of Elections.

Roll Call:

Mr. Bowersock, <u>yes;</u> Mr. Johnson, <u>yes;</u> Ms. Colian, <u>yes;</u> Mr. Maroscher, <u>yes;</u>

Motion carried.

NOTES:

# 4. Appoint a Chairperson

Moved by Mr. Maroscher and seconded by Ms. Colian to appoint Mr. Johnson as Chairperson of the Columbiana County Board of Elections.

Roll Call:

Mr. Bowersock, <u>yes;</u> Mr. Johnson, <u>yes;</u> Ms. Colian, <u>yes;</u> Mr. Maroscher, <u>yes;</u>

Motion carried.

NOTES:

#### 5. Appoint a Vice Chairperson

Moved by Mr. Maroscher and seconded by Mr. Bowersock to appoint Ms. Colian as Vice Chairperson of the Columbiana County Board of Elections.

Roll Call:

Mr. Bowersock, <u>yes;</u> Mr. Johnson, <u>yes;</u> Ms. Colian, <u>yes;</u> Mr. Maroscher, <u>yes;</u>

Motion carried.

NOTES:

# 6. Administer Oath of Office

- Judge Dickey will administer the Oath of Office to the appointed Board Members and Directors.
- Board Members and Directors exchanged thanks and appreciation for appointments.

# 7. Approve Agenda

Moved by Ms. Colian and seconded by Mr. Maroscher to approve the agenda as submitted.

Roll Call:

Mr. Bowersock, yes;

Ms. Colian,

Mr. Johnson, Mr. Maroscher, <u>yes;</u> yes;

Motion carried.

NOTES:

# 8. Acceptance of Minutes

Moved by Ms. Colian and seconded by Mr. Bowersock to accept the minutes of the regular meeting which was held February 9, 2023, as submitted.

Roll Call:

Mr. Bowersock,

<u>yes;</u>

yes;

Mr. Johnson,

yes;

Ms. Colian,

<u>yes;</u>

Mr. Maroscher,

yes;

Motion carried.

NOTES:

# Director's Report:

Director Fusco reported that after conferring with the Prosecutor's Office, Pondis indeed had a liquor application filed and is approved to be certified. Director Fusco noted that there will only be 15 precincts open for the May 2, 2023 election and staff should be fine without extra help. Deputy Director Miner discussed Directive 2023-03 and gave all members and public present a summary of important information included in Directive 2023-03. The main points being changes to voter identification, absentee voting deadlines, and early in office voting times. Director Fusco added deadline dates for absentee voting in the May and November elections. Mr. Bowersock clarified the post mark date for absentees.

#### Items From The Board:

Mr. Johnson stated for the record that BOE meetings will be scheduled as always in accordance with the Secretary of State's elections calendar and continue to be scheduled when all Board Members can be present to best serve the public. Mr. Johnson noted that we will give as much notice as possible for a meeting, but always at least 24 hours' notice required by law and that meeting notices are posted on the BOE website. Deputy Director Miner clarified that the meeting notices are placed on the BOE website and on the BOE lobby front door as soon as a meeting is set and past meeting minutes are available online as well. Mr. Johnson stated the Board will continue with past practices and transparency and the Board Members agreed.

Next Meeting: TBD

Moved by <u>Ms. Colian</u> and seconded by <u>Mr. Bowersock</u> to adjourn the meeting.

Roll Call:

Mr. Bowersock, <u>yes:</u>

Ms. Colian,

yes;

Mr. Johnson,

yes;

Mr. Maroscher,

<u>yes;</u>

Motion carried.